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What Gov. Tyler Says.

A correspondent of the Washington, D. C., Times, writing from Manassas during the Horse Show last week, quotes Gov. Tyler as saying:

"Yes, I am a candidate for the United States Senate," he began in a straightforward, simple manner. "I have declared my intentions, and I am confident that I shall be elected. I expect to conduct the canvass in person. I shall direct it from my headquarters in Radford, and in Richmond. I shall see that the issues upon which I am making this fight are brought squarely before the people of Virginia. If I am successful in presenting the questions I have in mind to the people of this State, I am sure that they will sustain me by an overwhelming majority."

MAKE THE FIGHT SQUARELY.

"I shall make the fight squarely on the principles which I have represented and which the people of Virginia know I have represented for a number of years. I shall avoid all personalities. I shall not speak ill of anyone, because, as individuals, I have nothing against the men who oppose my views. I repeat, that I do not wish to criticize any man harshly on personal grounds. I attack only principles and methods. If certain men behind these methods and supporting those principles happen to get in the way that is their fault, not mine."

"My only purpose in entering this canvass and in making this fight is to present certain grave and important questions to the people of the State, and to get an honest, free, untrammeled expression of opinion from Virginians on those questions. They are simple questions, definite questions, easily understood questions. They interest brave, honest men the world over, and to no people do they appeal more vitally than to the people of Virginia."

"Yes, I will gladly tell you precisely what those questions are. There is a belief that there exists in Virginia an 'office trust'—an organization which secretly controls the elections to all important offices within the gift of the people. I shall make my canvass for the Senate on that question and on all other questions that grow out of it. I am convinced that this is the supremely important issue now before the people. It has come to just this: Shall the public offices of this State be filled by the people or by a well-organized and well-disciplined clique? Shall popular government be acknowledged a failure? Shall we entrust political affairs—county, city, State and national—to the plain people of the State, or shall we hand them over to a small, select body of skillful politicians? Has the time come when we must admit that the people of Virginia are incompetent to govern themselves, and that they now need a few self-appointed leaders to direct their affairs for them? These are, I repeat, the principal, fundamental issues. Out of them all other questions grow. Out of them grows the belief that corporate wealth is directing political affairs in Virginia. You recall the defeat of Fitzhugh Lee for the United States Senate?"

GENERAL LEE'S DEFEAT.

"That election opened the eyes of all Virginians. I need not dwell upon that subject. It is familiar to the plain people of the State. Its results incensed them. They resented with indignation the spirit and methods which decided that election. They saw that that election did not execute the wishes of the people of Virginia. They recognized the gravity of the case in all its aspects. They looked deep into the subject—the people did—and they made up their minds that methods and cliques that could prevail in that case in the election of a U. S. Senator could also prevail in other instances. They realized, in a word, that if that sort of thing should go on, there could be no government. It was popular only in name. It was representative only in name. It was really a government, not of the people or by the people, but of the few and by the few."

"Long before that time I advocated the popular election of United States Senators. I have supported that principle for years. I shall continue to support it to the end. In this canvass I stand squarely in favor of that object."

"There is a feeling also in the State that the condition of things I have just alluded to must cease. The people are determined to have a reckoning with the politicians. Certain political methods must be eliminated from Virginia elections. We must get right down and look the situation square in the face and decide whether methods like those used Wednesday in Richmond, for instance, are to be sanctioned by Virginians. I do not begrudge my opponent the Richmond delegation. All I want now is to bring methods used to secure it right home to the hearts of the people. Unless the 'office trust' has a tighter grip on their throats than it has, they will rise up in their might and resent the injustice that was done them in Richmond last Wednesday. We will let the clique know that the people are able to govern themselves, and we will prove by popular votes that Virginians admire fair play everywhere and at all times."

"That is all we ask for in this canvass—fair play! Give us that and let us meet our opponents face to face, and I have no doubt of the result. The machine, the clique, the 'office trust' will go down, and the people will rise up and march over them."

Gov. Tyler also said that, he might

make speeches throughout the campaign if it should seem advisable, but that at present he is not inclined to take the stump.

A Romance of Banking.

More than twenty years ago the Third National Bank of Chicago, formerly closed its doors and a receiver was appointed to satisfy the depositors. Some of the stockholders feared an immediate assessment for the payment of liabilities and offered to give their stock to any one who would assume its obligations. Today this stock is held at nearly double its par value, and it is regarded as gilt edged security. Within five years, although the bank has received no deposits, made no loans, issued no currency, sold no drafts, it has paid two dividends to its stockholders and promises many more. The very name of the bank has been forgotten, except by a few grey-haired men who are personally interested in its affairs. Moreover, it is unique in being a corporation having large assets and no liabilities beyond the obligation to its stockholders.

The earliest report on the condition of the bank, made by the receiver, Col. Huntington W. Jackson, showed that the nominal assets were \$1,000,000, and the debts were nearly \$1,000,000, leaving a nominal \$500,000 to pay the stock liability of \$750,000. On paper this looked most encouraging, but a close examination showed that many of the loans of the bank, made in flush times, were secured by collaterals of uncertain value, and real estate scheduled at boom prices and taken as the only available payment for money loaned. There was two much "slow" paper and not enough "short" paper.

Of the real estate, one tract of 100 acres lay on a barren ridge near the lake shore and nearly ten miles southeast of the City Hall, in a wholly unsettled part of a suburb. Another tract of forty-five acres was nearly as far to the west of the city on the bare, flat prairie, where there was little prospect of its ever being anything more than a cabbage patch. Still another piece of property lay far out in the southwest portion of the city in a region as yet almost wholly undeveloped and promising little immediate growth, except in taxes and special assessments. There was a score of other lots and parcels of land, some in New York city, and a great quantity of paper, much of it more or less doubtful or worthless. In fact, it seemed to some of the ninety stockholders that it would hardly pay the bank to retain its property and meet the expenses of management.

By the process known as "squeezing," and the sacrifice of some of the poorer pieces of real estate, the receiver managed to pay before the close of 1881, the depositors the face value of their claims. A year later they received their interest in full, and the stockholders were left, nearly five years after the close of the bank, with a score of pieces of expensive real estate, most of which had comparatively little present cash value, and a quantity of doubtful claims and lawsuits, the legacy of the panic.

But Chicago was growing. The suburb in which the hundred acre tract was located became a part of the city. A cable line reached down and almost touched it; an electric line dropped passengers immediately in front of it; an elevated railroad approached it within half a dozen blocks. Early in the '90's the World's Fair found room in Jackson Park, which adjoined the tract immediately on the north. A city of great hotels, apartment houses, and residences, sprang suddenly into existence around it, and Chicago was a city far out beyond the park.

In July, 1891, the receiver called the stockholders together and laid before them an offer \$1,000,000 for the despised 100 acres of land, and the stockholders, upon mature deliberation, rejected it, feeling that it would be worth much more a few years later. If the offer had been accepted it would have paid off not only the entire capital stock of \$750,000 but it would have left a comfortable \$250,000 to be divided among the stockholders for their patience. In a matter hardly less remarkable the forty-five acre cabbage patch became valuable. Car lines passed it, the suburb of Oak Park, itself a considerable city, grew out around it, and every year has added thousands of dollars to its value.

And so it happened that in 1893 the receiver was able to pay a dividend of 10 per cent to the stockholders, and he followed it in 1895 with a second dividend of 10 per cent.

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What Is Man That Woman Should Care For Him.

The Baltimore Sun says: "Miss Ella Hepworth Dixon, in an article in the Humanitarian on the increasing number of women who refuse to marry, says some severe things about men that out to bring them to their senses, if they have any, and cause them to lead new and better lives. According to Miss Dixon, women are ceasing to marry and for the very good and sufficient reason that they have discovered what a trifling and worthless creature the male human animal is. In the language of the London Speaker paraphrasing Miss Dixon's statement of the case: 'Man has been found out. In the middle Victorian period women adored him. She was expected to take him on trust, to worship his imperfections, to regard marriage to him as the only ideal. She knows better now. Her attitude toward him is purely critical. In the intervening years woman has developed her sense of humor, and what little humor man ever had stood still. She continues to give him tea and find a kind of sport in his society, for after all, he makes an agreeable butt. Woman no longer lists adoring eyes, waiting for her lord to indicate his pleasure that she should be his wedded wife. Her eyes dance with satirical mirth, and if man were not deluded by his colossal conceit, he would know that his entire relation toward this charming creature had changed and that she is a wholly independent power, conscious she is superior in wit and in all that pertains to a philosophical happiness.' The 'average suitors' possess 'certain of the least endearing qualities of the Anglo-Saxon race, those qualities, it may be whispered, which, though eminently suitable for the making of empire, are not always entirely appreciated on the domestic hearth.'"

In a word, the woman of the present day has discovered that the average man, is a shallow, conceited, selfish fellow, puffed up with a ridiculous idea of his own importance, disposed to treat his matrimonial partner as a military conqueror lord it over an annexed district, and last, but not least, with no more sense of humor than a strutting turkey cock. In this indictment is true, woman is entirely justified in declining to link her fate with that of such an inferior animal, and she is not only justified in refusing to marry him, but, according to Miss Dixon, is actually doing so. Doubtless she ought to do so on Miss Dixon's statements of facts, but we fear that the statistics do not sustain the allegation that the sex to which she belongs is adopting up to a higher standard. It may be admitted that the average man is unworthy of a woman and that the best way to improve him would be by barring him from matrimony until he should cultivate intellectual and moral qualities fit for such an association, and, above all, develop that deep and subtle sense of humor so requisite to marital happiness. A sort of matrimonial examination, conducted by boards of female reformers, might be established, before which all male candidates for marriage might be required to appear and produce evidence of the possession of a proper amount of intellect, docility and appreciation of the superiority of the being to whom he desired to be united. This would unquestionably work a reform in the average man and to induce him not only to be better, but more humorous, but for the distressing fact that Miss Dixon cannot get all her women, superior and critical as they are, to stand together in this great cause. She asserts that they are ceasing to marry, but, alas, there are many million traitors in the camp—millions who every day desert to the enemy, or openly declare themselves willing to do so. Some bold, bad men, devoid of a sense of duty, might declare that in the great majority of cases the women who are ceasing to marry are those who have not been asked. But allowing that Miss Dixon's noble army of superior women, whom man delights not any longer, are actuated by the highest motives and the sternest sense of duty, of what possible avail will be their critical and offish attitude if the great majority of the sex continue to make man believe that he is of some account by marrying him? Logically they ought sternly to do what Miss Dixon says they are doing, but in point of fact they persist in marrying him and treating him just as if Miss Dixon and the other advanced ladies had not found him out and did not know him for the poor specimen of humanity that he is.

As the speaker points out, Miss Dixon punishes her own case when she admits that "widows like widowers, usually show an extraordinary eagerness to resume the fetters of the wedded state." This is deplorable enough, but more remains behind. Statistics, it seems, show that "whereas a man of 40 remains a widower for two years only," a widow under 35 "remarries again within 20 months." Widows, as the speaker remarks, are among the most critical as well as the most humorous of women. Yet figures prove that they think the game (man) quite worth hunting and capturing. This being the case, what are Miss Dixon and her friends going to do about it. Denunciation of man and a lofty and critical attitude do not seem to affect the matter at all. While the advanced and superior ladies are telling men what they think of them and holding them up to ridicule, other ladies with plainer and more practical ideas are marrying him up. It is a sad, and confusing affair, but unless Miss Dixon can get all the women to make common cause with her, it is to be feared that even "average suitors"

will have no difficulty in enjoying matrimonial happiness.

It may be worth while to remark, in conclusion, that Miss Dixon is right in saying that man has been "found out," but it is not an original discovery by the nineteenth century woman. Eve found Adam out before she had been in the Garden of Eden with him half an hour. She could have written a magazine article on the subject just as clever and convincing as that in the Humanitarian, but she was too smart to put man on his guard. She knew more flies are caught with honey than with vinegar, and she handed down to her daughters the true secret of managing the worse half of creation. Men are necessary evils and the wisest women are those who, while knowing them best, do not allow the stubborn and inferior creatures to realize that they have been "found out," but, while guiding them skillfully, permit them to think themselves masters of the situation.

Persons troubled with diarrhoea will be interested in the experience of Mr. W. M. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R. I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhoea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction." For sale by M. M. Lewis, Druggist.

Merritt's Report.

In his speech at the Auditorium Democratic meeting in Chicago last week John J. Leutz, of Ohio, in condemning the McKinley Philippine policy, said that the "high and mighty" in Washington had evidently "overlooked" a statement made by Gen. Merritt last August while on the Pacific ocean returning home. When Gen. Merritt wrote his report as to the steamship China, and dated it Aug. 31, 1898, he was still laboring under the impression that the President of the United States believed that "forebore annexation is criminal."

Mr. Leutz read from Gen. Merritt's report the following: "Gen. Aguinaldo, shortly after the naval battle of Manila Bay, came from Hongkong with the consent of our naval authorities, began active work in raising troops and pushing the Spaniards in the direction of the city of Manila. Having met with some success and the natives looking to his assistance, he proclaimed independent government of republican form, with himself as President, and at the time of my arrival in the islands the entire edifice of executive and legislative department and subdivision of territory for administrative purposes had been accomplished, at least on paper and the Philippines held military possession of many points in the islands other than those in the vicinity of Manila."

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